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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for the Intelligence Community

SUBJECT: Drawing Up an Agenda for the NSCIC Working Group

1. Attached is a draft agenda for the next NSCIC Working Group meeting. It is a full schedule for a 1-1/2-2 hour meeting. In view of the homework assigned before hand, and a date suggested by Mr. Ellsworth, I recommend the meeting be held on 15 May.

2. The Perspectives represents unfinished business from the previous meeting. Once we have at least some comments from everyone, then we can send that package to the NIOs.

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3. Informational Papers. Two papers were promised in the 11 March proposed program. [REDACTED] has done the first, and [REDACTED] is polishing the second. Another promised paper, on the problem of expressing uncertainty, ought to be deferred to a future meeting, until we decide what we want to say. A fourth promise, on compiling a "handbook on the US Intelligence Community," should be largely satisfied by the Consumer Contact Points paper.

4. Key Intelligence Questions. In his memorandum of 26 March to you, Mr. Ellsworth said that he had asked components of OSD to review the FY 1975 KIQs and to suggest possible new questions, amendments or deletions, and that he could have responses available by 15 May. Others should be able to comment by then as well. Mr. Ellsworth further noted that OSD would need at least a month to review draft FY 1976 KIQs. Incidentally, my sources tell me the NIOs probably will not have draft FY 1976 KIQs ready by 15 May.

5. SALT. Mr. Ellsworth has expressed particular interest in having a briefing on this subject (among others). He also mentioned SALT in connection with the Uncertainties problem. And he seems to support the idea of critiquing fewer rather than more major Community estimative papers. In other words we are trying to wound 3 birds with one stone.

6. Arab-Israeli Package. We are giving the Working Group two examples of KIQ Strategy Reports, two related estimative papers, and, without saying so, a draft Middle Eastern section of the next issue of the RONI (plus a summary of the same section in our last issue).

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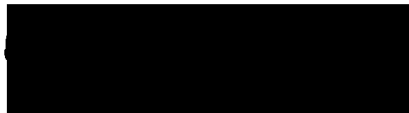
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